



**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
EXAMINING GROUP 2873**

**PATENT**  
Attorney Docket No. 401297

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

NOZAWA et al.

Application No. 09/899,191

Art Unit: 2873

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Examiner: B. Thomas

For: LENS BARREL

**RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION**

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 16, 2003, please consider the following remarks.

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